BPSC 109

BACHELOR OF ARTS POLITICAL SCIENCE HONOURS (BAPSH)

ASSIGNMENT 2023-2024

BPSC -109: POLITICAL PROCESSES AND INSTITUTIONS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE



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Dear Student,

This Assignment booklet has Tutor Market Assignments for the course **BPSC 109: Political Processes and Institutions in Comparative Perspective,** the core course on offer in the second year of the BAPSH programme. You will have to do all three sections of this Assignment whose total marks add up to 100 and carry a weightage of 30 per cent.

Assignment One has Descriptive Category Questions (DCQs). These are meant for writing essay type answers, with an introduction and a conclusion. These are intended to test your ability to describe understanding/knowledge about the topic in a systematic, to-the-point, and coherent manner.

Assignment Two has Middle Category Questions (MCQs). These questions require you to first analyse the topic in terms of arguments and explanations and then write the answers in a concise manner. They are meant to test your ability to clearly understand concepts and processes.

Assignment Three has Short Category Questions (SCQs). These questions are meant to improve your skill of recall the relevant/precise information about persons, writing, events, and or clear understanding of concepts and processes.

Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide of BAPSH. It is important that you write the answers in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule.

Session	Last Date of Submission	Whom to submit
July 2023 Session	April 30, 2024	The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to
January 2024 Session	October 31, 2024	you

You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. Keep a xerox copy of the assignments with you.

The Study Centre will return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the Student Evaluation Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

Wishing you all the best, Faculty of Political Science

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(TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT)

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Marks: 100

There are three sections in this assignment. You have to answer all questions in each Section.

Assignment - I

Answer the following in about 500 words each. Each question carries 20 marks.

- 1. Analyze the mechanisms and challenges to operationalising pluralism.
- 2. The functions of political parties are not limited to electoral politics. Discuss with suitable examples.

Assignment - II

Answer the following questions in about 250 words each. Each question carries 10 marks.

- 1. Describe the processes involved in political modernization.
- 2. Briefly describe the Single member plurality systems bringing out its advantages and limitations.
- 3. How has the struggle for citizenship contributed to the rise of liberal democratic state in Europe?

Assignment - III

Write a short note on the following in about 100 words each. Each short note carries 6 marks.

- 1. Relative autonomy thesis
- 2. Procedural and substantive democracy
- 3. Structuralism and democratisation
- 4. Participatory budgeting
- 5. Brazilian federalism.